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Regents meet, discuss issues

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The University's Board of Regents meeting was held Thursday in the J.W. Jones Student Union.

The meeting opened with Drs. Gary and Merry McDonald speaking on computer science and information systems. Merry McDonald spoke about how information systems can be used to enhance Northwest's computer system for both faculty and students.

Jamie Roop, president of Student Senate, announced that Student Senate had begun setting goals for next year. Roop stated that during an executive student retreat the University's mission statement and communication flow chart had been revised.

Kitty Kennedy from Support Staff Council stated that it had employed the services of Public Relations Student Society of America to promote and enhance the image of the support staff.

"The first project of PRSSA is a survey which will be distributed to students, administrators, faculty and support staff personnel," Kennedy said.

According to Kennedy, the purpose of the survey will be to determine how support staff and council are perceived.

Faculty Senate stated it had appointed a special senate committee to review the faculty handbook. The faculty handbook is currently under revision. The committee is planning to bring its recommendations to the senate for consideration in March or April, 1990.

Faculty Senate also announced it had appointed an advisory committee regarding Gov. Ashcroft's challenges to higher education.

The Board of Regents approved and accepted several appointments, resignations and retirements at the meeting.

Those approved for appointments were: Dr. George L. Lawrence, director of the counseling center; James H. Mack-

innon, director of the Small Business Development Center; Marsha Kay Evans, instructor of curriculum and instruction; Karla L. Brockman, special appointment in psychology, sociology and counseling; Dr. Richard H. Cain, special appointment in educational administration; Rebecca Ann Goudge, special appointment in curriculum and instruction; Dr. Mark Hargens, special appointment in psychology; Kevin Herauf, special appointment in health, physical education, recreation and dance; Jean Johnson, special appointment in psychology, sociology and counseling; Mary Lyons, special appointment in psychology, sociology and counseling; Denise Schuler, special appointment in psychology, sociology and counseling; RoAnne Solheim, special appointment in curriculum and instruction and Mary Strong, special appointment in health.

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Photo by JoAnn Bortner

Board Meeting—The Board of Regents recently met to discuss the enhancement of the computer systems, to approve resignations, appointments and retirements, along with listening to committee reports. The next meeting will be held in March.

Taylor Commons closing possible

Dr. Dean Hubbard, Dr. Phil Hayes and Jerry Throener were at Tuesday's Student Senate meeting to speak about the future plans for University dining.

The article in last week's issue of the *Missourian* entitled "ARA plans approved" was inaccurate. Plans were presented, but not approved.

Hubbard said the current minimum wage law will be increased to \$3.80 per hour on April 1 and will again increase to \$4.25 per hour on Jan. 1, 1991. Hubbard stated that these increases will raise campus dining costs about \$2,437.50 per week unless greater efficiencies can be figured out.

Taylor Commons is "drastically under utilized," according to Hubbard. "The average ratio is one employee to every two students eating there and that's a major problem."

Hubbard also said that \$116,500 in equipment is needed at Taylor Commons to update the facility.

Two possible options were explained to the senators. One option would involve closing Taylor Commons next year and improving and changing facilities in the Union. This option would not involve a fee increase.

The other option would be to leave Taylor Commons open as a dining facility but this would make a fee increase necessary.

A set of floor plans has been drawn up that would possibly move Campus Safety out of the Union and move the location of the gameroom to open the area for a "scramble".

The "scramble" would offer a variety of foods such as Italian, Mexican, Chinese and chicken and fish. Hubbard said the new dining facility would take care of some congestion during meal times.

Questions were raised concerning what would happen to Taylor Commons in the event of its closing. Hubbard said that there is a possibility of turning Taylor Commons into a conference center that could be rented out.

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Happy New Year



Photo by Ching Yap

The Chinese students at Northwest along with members of the administration, faculty, staff and other students celebrated the Chinese New Year on Jan. 26. The group gathered at the Alumni House to feast upon a variety of Chinese food prepared by the Chinese students. On the Lunar calendar, this is the Year of the Horse.

University health care costs increase

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The cost of health care coverage for Northwest faculty and staff has risen over the last year.

According to Sandy Cox, director of human services, there was an 84 percent increase for the University in the cost of health care coverage over 1988.

"For the 1988-89 fiscal year, \$314,000 came off the top of the budget for this department for health care cost. This fiscal year, \$688,000 came off the top," Cox said. "That is a lot of money to come off the top of a budget."

The reason for the increase in the cost of health coverage is due to a 152 percent claims experience in 1988, Cox explained. This means the insurance company paid out \$1.52 for every dollar it took in.

Those hardest hit with the cost increase have been the faculty and staff who want coverage for their families. The

University pays for individual health care for the faculty and staff but it is the responsibility of those individuals to pay for family coverage.

Since 1985, health care cost for families has increased 125 percent. As a result, 23 percent of those individuals who carried family coverage dropped from the program between July and September 1989.

"Northwest has been working on keeping the cost down," Cox said. "We asked other major insurance companies for a bid and found them quoting anywhere from a 140 percent increase to a 200 percent in-

crease over what the University is now paying."

Cox said that she preferred not to reveal the names of those companies who had asked for a bid.

Although the national trend in health care cost is projected to be a 22.7 percent increase for the 1990-91 fiscal year, Cox stated that the University is hoping to keep the insurance cost sta-

ble by making changes in the health care plan.

"The University went to a preferred health care plan with a higher deductible," Cox said. "We now have an 85 percent payment plan if a local hospital is used for health care, use of a free mail order if a generic drug is used and a preferred eye care plan where the individual receives 30 percent off glasses or lenses if a preferred care provider is used."

Cox said that the University at one time belonged to a group plan organization with other state colleges regarding health care cost but found it "more favorable not to be in it" given Northwest's claims experience at the time. Northwest dropped from the consortium four years ago.

The University's rate is not out of line with what other businesses are paying," Cox said.

"Ours is very comparable to

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Students protest ruling

SEAN GREEN
Opinion Editor

Residents of South Complex are protesting the recent restriction of parking privileges to students in parking lot two, located in front of North-South Complex.

The Parking Advisory Committee restricted student use of the parking lot in order to provide 24-hour parking for faculty and other non-students on evenings and weekends. But South Complex resident Andrea McAlpin said the action was over-compensation for a minor problem.

"We can understand the faculty needing more parking space but we think the student's point of view should also be considered," she said.

McAlpin listed several reasons for returning some parking privileges to the students.

"The most important problem this ruling has created involves safety," she said.

She explained if one of the 250 residents of South Complex, two-thirds of which are women, is unable to get one of the twenty parking spaces by the building, they have to park in the lot west of the National Guard Armory.

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Newsbriefs

Media Day cancelled

Steve Kroft of "60 Minutes" has cancelled his appearance at Northwest due to a time conflict.

Kroft was scheduled to give a lecture on Feb. 23 which was to be Media Day at Northwest.

Dave Gieseke, assistant director of public relations, said the Department of Mass Communications has cancelled Media Day altogether because it is too late to find someone else to speak for the same price as Kroft.

Director replaced

James H. MacKinnon was formally approved by the Board of Regents as director of the University's Small Business Development Center.

MacKinnon replaces Max Summers who resigned last September when he was named director of the State of Missouri Small Business Development Centers Network.

MacKinnon holds a master's of business administration degree from the University of Oregon and a bachelor's of science degree in business management from the University of Idaho.

MacKinnon was previously associated with the Oregon Small Business Development Center Network.

Center gets director

Dr. George Lawrence was formally approved as director of the Counseling Center at Northwest at the recent Board of Regents meeting.

Lawrence is replacing Dr. David Sandberg who resigned last summer to accept a position at Central Missouri State University.

Lawrence holds an Ed.D degree in counseling psychology from George Peabody College of Vanderbilt University. He earned his master's and bachelor's degrees from the University of Maine.

Lawrence previously served as an associate professor of educational psychology and as a counseling psychologist at the University Counseling Center at the University of Washington.

Europe forum planned

An international forum is scheduled concerning the recent happenings in Eastern Europe.

The forum will be Feb. 6 from 3:30 to 5:00 in the Union Ballroom titled "What Is Really Happening Between Russia and Her East European Satellites."

A panel discussion will be conducted on the geo-political and economic repercussions within the Eastern European Soviet Bloc countries.

Northwest faculty panelists will include Dr. Richard Frucht, associate professor of History; Dr. Richard Fulton, professor of Government and Dr. Mark Jelavich, associate professor of Economics.

The forum is sponsored by the Culture of Quality project.

Author signs book

Author Harry MacLean will be on campus to sign his book titled "In Broad Daylight: Murder in Skidmore" at the Bearcat Bookstore in the J.W. Jones Student Union.

MacLean will be signing his book on Feb. 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

MacLean is the winner of the 1988 Edgar Award for True Crimes.

Summer schedule set

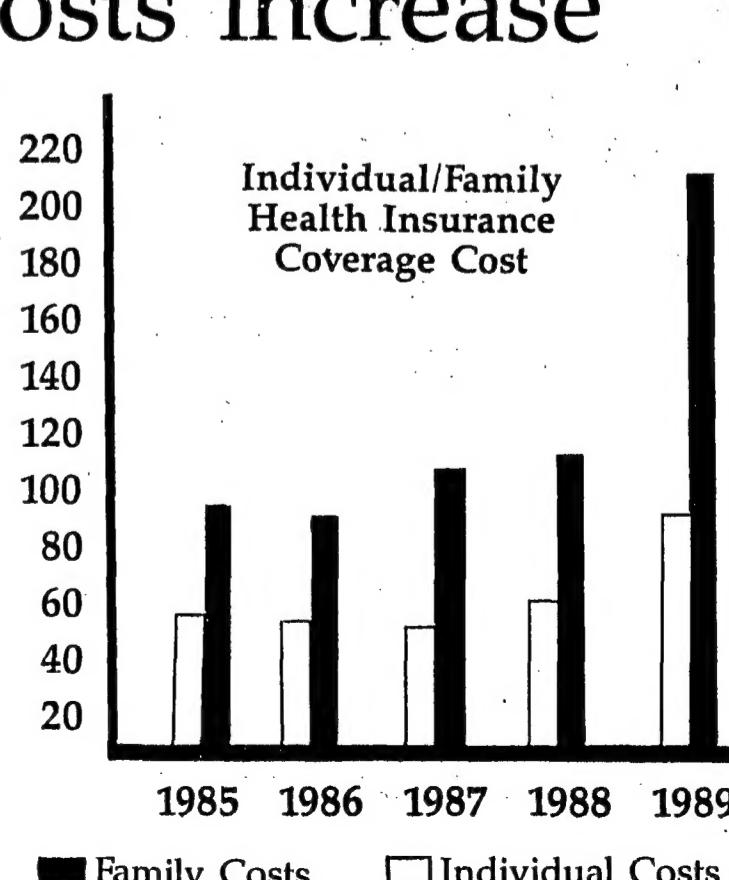
The Northwest campus will be open this summer for four days a week.

At the recent Board of Regents meeting, the plan to keep the administrative and academic offices open from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday was approved.

Summer classes will be Monday through Thursday, beginning June 7, while registration will be held June 6.

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ROTC cadets respond to First Lady's comment

LAURA PIERSON
Staff Writer

Northwest's female ROTC cadets feel women should be allowed to serve in combat.

The cadets were responding to First Lady Barbara Bush's comments on women in combat that arose from the recent role military women played in the Panama invasion.

When first telling the media her opinion on the issue, Bush responded, saying women were not "physically strong enough" and their presence on battlefields would cause morale problems.

Bush later added to her statements made to the press saying that if a woman could carry a wounded soldier off a battlefield and throw a grenade as far as a man could she should be allowed to serve in combat.

The cadets agreed with Bush's new statements. They felt combat jobs should be open to anyone who had the right physical capabilities.

Cadet Diana Jensen questioned the assumption that all men are physically capable of combat duty. "There are some men we all know that we are stronger and faster than."

Cadet Anita Puche said during field exercises the women "carry the same load and the same stress" as the men do.

Bush's concern over the grenade issue was addressed in a 1987 study that found 49 percent of female Marine recruits

could not throw a grenade the required distance to avoid the burst radius.

Cadet Brenda Isreal disagreed with the study saying the females in her battalion could throw the grenades "as far as the men do."

The cadets' wish to see all combat jobs open to women may not be far off in the future. Representative Pat Schroeder, D-Colo. is sponsoring a congressional bill to open up all combat jobs to women for a four-year test.

Schroeder feels the recent Panama invasion showed the current U.S. law forbidding women in combat roles as obsolete. In a recent edition of "USA Today" she said, "Here we had, in everyone's living room, young women in what looked like combat, sounded like combat—the reality of it finally hit."

Puche echoed the same thoughts: "Someday we will be in combat even if it's medical duty. We will have to transport wounded soldiers from the battlefield to the hospital units."

ROTC Capt. Jeffrey Knapp said he would support women in combat roles if they could first pass a physical test demonstrating upper body strength. He said, "This would disqualify the majority of women."

He said many women lack the upper body strength needed to perform combat duties. He cited the example of women's difficulty

pulling back the bolt of a machine gun while lying on the ground. The female cadets in his battalion must stand on their knees to pull back the spring-loaded bolt. Knapp said, "This is not something you want to do in combat."

Knapp said women are better than men because of better eyesight. He continued saying that while women would make good tank gunners, they could not lift the heavy pieces of a tank that may need repair or replacement on a battlefield.

Both Knapp and the female cadets see the acceptance of women by men in combat as a big problem.

Knapp said, "My concern is psychologically whether society would accept it. If you did it today and put women on the battlefield tomorrow there would be problems because there has not been that psychological change. There are a lot of macho egos that go with those combat units."

You have to change those attitudes before you put women in combat. You don't have a combat-ready unit until they come to that understanding."

Cadet Diane Jensen said, "We would be a weakness in their (men's) mind." She said sometimes men would shelter the females on field exercises.

The cadets and Capt. Knapp felt if women are allowed to serve in combat the change will have to be integrated slowly.



Photo by JoAnn Bortner

Ready For Combat—A few of the women, who are part of Northwest's ROTC, discuss their feelings about First Lady Barbara Bush's comments. Bush was noted as referring to women

who are enlisted as unequal as far as strength when compared to men. The women feel that combat jobs should be open to anyone who was physically qualified.

Yearbook earns two high ratings

LAURA PIERSON
Staff Writer

The 1989 Tower yearbook has earned an All-American rating for the sixth consecutive year, and a five-star rating for the second time from the Associated Collegiate Press.

Debby Kerr, a 1989 Northwest graduate from Edgerton, was the book's editor. Laura Widmer, instructor of mass communication, is the yearbook's advisor.

Cara Moore, managing editor, said an All-American rating goes to "the top three" percent of all college yearbooks in the nation. There are five different categories they judge you on: copy, photography, design, theme and concept and coverage. We received a mark of distinction in each category."

The five-star rating qualifies the yearbook to compete for the Pacemakers award which goes to the top one percent in the nation. According to Moore, from nearly a thousand entries less

than 10 yearbooks receive Pacemakers. The 1987 and 1988 Towers were Pacemakers. The award will not be announced until April or May.

One judge was so impressed he wrote in the ACP critique, "I thoroughly enjoyed your book and will use it as an example of fine work. You took a fresh approach in your reporting and covered the year in an accurate manner. It is nice to see such diversity."

Moore said there are no divisions for school size in the ACP competition. The Tower must compete with schools such as Harvard and Princeton for the Pacemaker. "We are the only small school with under 25,000 students to get a Pacemaker," Moore said.

The theme of the yearbook was "A Lot to be Said." According to Widmer, the title was chosen because the staff could not agree on the theme. Everyone had a different idea and they finally decided

there was "a lot to be said". Teresa Mattson, copy assistant, said the staff goes on a retreat for a weekend at the start of each new school year. This year's retreat was held in Omaha.

Mattson said the staff shut themselves into a room to brainstorm for ideas. The staff looks to many different sources for inspiration.

"We went to cardshops and bookstores. As far as design goes, we look at trendy magazines and see what the colors of the year are. Our main goal is we want something that is going to say 'Northwest this year'." Mattson said.

Moore and Mattson point to Widmer as the key to the yearbook's success. Moore said, "Laura was editor of the Tower in 1979 and that was the first yearbook to win an All-American rating. When she came back here to teach in 1983 we started getting All-American ratings from 1984 through 1989."

Widmer said, "1979 was the first year the University saw the implementation of a yearbook with a magazine format. We wanted to add more flash and pizzazz and make it more feature oriented and use bigger pictures."

Widmer is quick to credit the yearbook staff for the Tower's success, "They are never happy with the status quo. They put in many hours of work on the book."

Moore said, "We didn't set the goal of winning an All-American rating. We want to cover the year accurately and please the students, and the judges come second."

One key to success all three agree upon was that freshmen are allowed to work on the yearbook. Some universities require a student to be a junior before being allowed to work on a yearbook. Northwest's policy allows for the staff to gain much more experience and expertise in developing a yearbook.

Office releases enrollment numbers

LAURA PIERSON
Staff Writer

equivalent of 4,645 full-time students on campus."

Montague credits the rise in enrollment for this semester to the record number of freshmen, 1,498, who came to Northwest in Fall, 1989.

Montague said Northwest expects about the same number of freshmen for the Fall, 1990 semester despite a 20 percent decline in applications as reported earlier this semester.

Twenty percent of the applications for admission last year were from students who were not serious about attending Northwest, Montague said.

"With the addition of the application fee (\$10 that must accompany all applications for admissions beginning Spring, 1990) we feel we have cut off those students who would not have attended anyway. I figure that was the 20 percent," Montague said.

He also said, "We are still way ahead of where we were four years ago."

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**Our
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Cooperation

Communication encouraged

When students are unhappy about something involving campus life, there are two main organizations which they can use as a vehicle to express grievances and affect a change in school policy.

These two organizations are Student Senate and the *Missourian*.

Unfortunately, most students at Northwest feel there is little to be gained in voicing their complaints to either of these organizations, which is a regretful situation to have in any free society.

Student Senate is the highest level of student government where representatives from all aspects of student life gather to debate issues, express the wishes and needs of the people they represent and make decisions which shape and sometimes change university policy.

The *Missourian*, in addition to being a means of informing, entertaining and looking out for the rights of readers, is a forum in which students can make their opinions and ideas known to the campus as a whole.

This, in turn, fosters informed discussion of important issues and, in many cases, also brings about changes in University policy.

Not surprisingly, the description of these two organizations, though they may be somewhat broad, are quite similar. The logical conclusion, then, is that Student Senate and the *Missourian* are working towards the same goals, differing only in the ways they attempt to reach these goals.

And it should also follow that if these two organizations communicated better and worked together more closely, they would have more success achieving their common goals as well as working out any differences that may arise.

However, the ideal situation does not match reality, or at least not the kind of perceived reality bred by misunderstanding, unwillingness to cooperate and, most importantly, the failure to recognize what is or is not helpful in achieving the goals of an organization.

The purpose of this article is not to lay blame on anyone, but instead to encourage, challenge and perhaps inspire both Student Senate and the *Missourian* to attempt to work together and, in doing so, more capably and efficiently promote the interests of the one group which both organizations were designed to benefit...the students of Northwest.

Mandatory Attendance

Absentee policies questioned

In some courses, professors require that students bring a note, signed by a doctor to prove they were ill. If the student does not provide this evidence, and if the student accumulates a certain amount of unexcused absences, (usually two or three), their grade begins to suffer.

This policy is what professors call mandatory attendance and we think they should get rid of it.

For traditional students, who usually live on or near campus, the mandatory attendance policy can be a nuisance. But for non-traditional students, many of whom commute from out of town, the policy becomes more than a nuisance, it often costs them time and money.

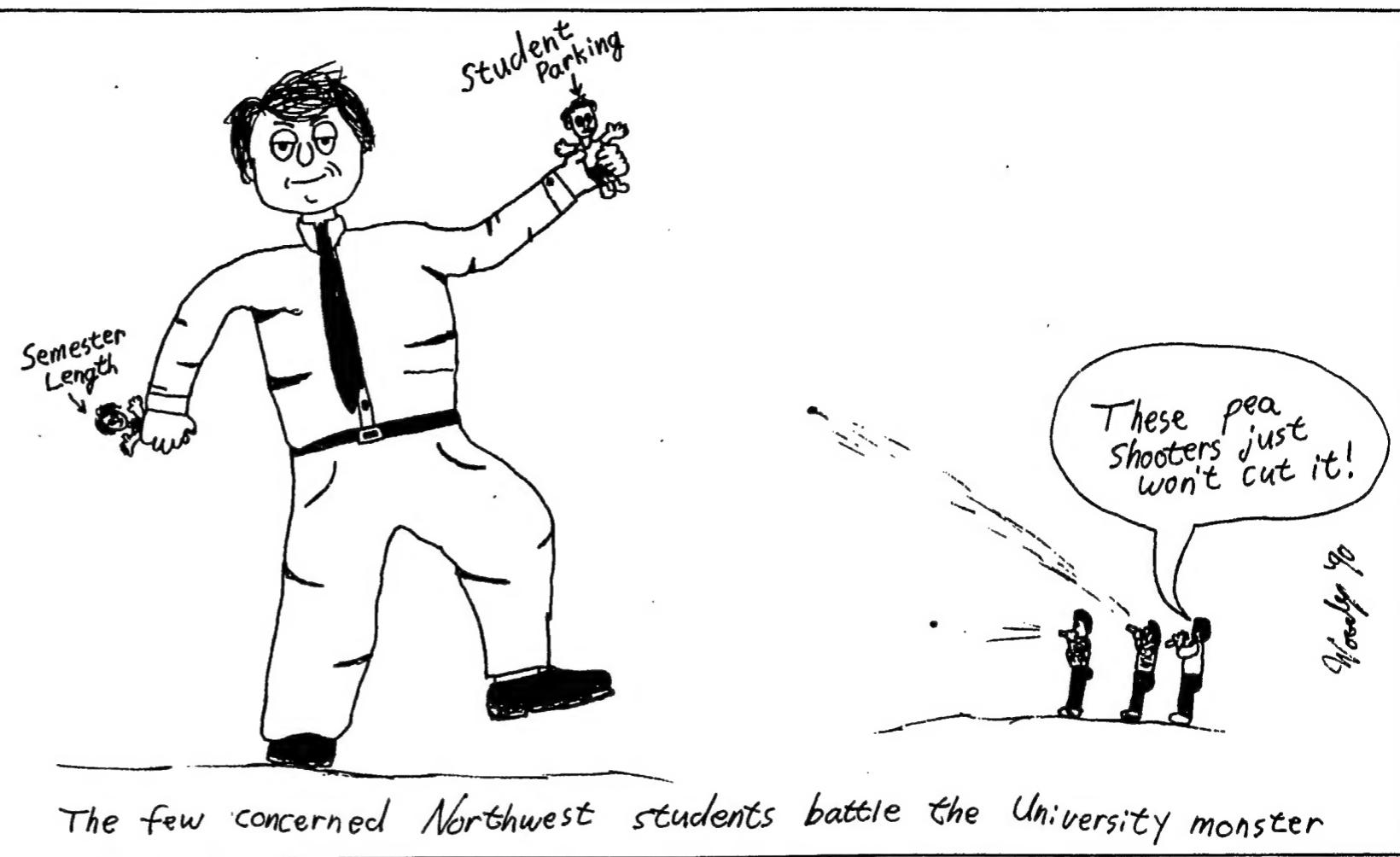
For example, when someone is ill, they do not always visit a doctor, especially if they just have a cold or the flu. However, just because someone chooses not to seek medical attention it does not necessarily mean they are well enough to attend class, especially if that involves a long drive.

On the other hand, if they do go to a doctor, even for something as minor as the flu, the bill can still be \$25 to \$30, which is a ridiculous amount of money to pay for the proverbial note from home.

And to even call the professor, for many commuters, involves a long-distance charge they could probably do without.

The best thing to do would be to totally throw out all mandatory attendance policies and let the students earn their grades on the basis of academic achievement.

If the professors who have these policies will not change them, the next best thing would be to have a campus wide policy on attendance so students would know what was expected of them and also know the rules would not change on them every time they changed classrooms.



The few concerned Northwest students battle the University monster

Challenge issued to faculty

LISA LANDIS News Editor

I have seen them dress up like past figures of history and I have seen them jumping up and down tables.

What a peculiar species!

I am referring to teachers I have seen on television and have heard about from friends.

A few years ago I watched a segment on "60 Minutes" about a world history teacher who relied on his creativity to teach his class. For every new segment in the history text he would come into class dressed as a famous person such as George Washington, Alexander the Great and Christopher Columbus.

As I watched this I asked myself why this man put himself through this. What motivated him to enter his classroom speaking Latin? Why was this so important to him?

I guess that is why "60 Minutes" was there.

That must have meant that it is

highly unusual for a teacher to teach the class beyond the status quo.

That must have meant he cared.

This teacher must have realized how hard it is to keep a student's attention at all, let alone for 50 minutes and he must have thought what he had to teach was important enough to keep the students awake.

So he compromised his pride a bit. The first time he costumed himself and was walking down the hallway, I am sure the other faculty members gave him curious looks and maybe even laughed.

But then so did the students. The students laughed and enjoyed themselves and looked forward to going to class. They learned about world history.

Admittedly, this teacher taught high school so maybe comparing high school to college is like comparing apples and oranges but I thought learning was learning no

matter where the process takes place.

But unfortunately, I have yet to see this enthusiasm for myself.

And I know what some of the faculty are thinking now: "Who is this person to be criticizing us? She does not know the work we go through now." Or "there is no way I am dressing up like an idiot."

This is not criticism but rather suggestion.

I, the student, have to sit in your class and read chapters of your texts and maybe I do not care about what I am reading because maybe I see you do not care.

Maybe some of the faculty do not realize the power they have.

Students who are here to learn and care about what they are learning put their complete trust in what the instructor says.

They rely on your experience and will try to follow your advice. Why not make the most of this power I see and talk to too

many teachers who are just trying to get through the text and who are just trying to get through the day.

I am not asking to see the faculty comparing costumes or acting like morons but I am issuing a "Faculty Creativity Challenge."

I am also asking the students to cooperate. If your instructor does something out of the ordinary to get the point across do not be a jerk and ridicule them. Instead, enjoy it and appreciate their efforts. It means they care.

I bet most of you have already quit reading because you are turned off by what I am saying. Did this hit too hard? I hope so.

Do you care about what you teach? What made you want to teach in the first place? It cannot be the money.

So you, the faculty, tell me, or better yet, show me, show us, the students, why you care, why we should care.

Stroller recalls first campus tour

Lately Your Man has been noticing a lot of people on campus who seem to look a little out of place. No, it is not Campus Safety officers, trying to find the doughnut shop, although that is a fair guess.

Instead it appears to be tour groups of prospective students and their parents who have begun their annual tromp through our hallowed grounds.

Seeing all these new people has caused Your Hero, in an unusual moment of nostalgia, to remember the tour he took when only a high school senior.

Of course, things have changed a little since then, but it is Your Man's opinion that many of the same experiences he had are still part of the Northwest tour as we know it today.

Only moments after getting to campus, Your Hero was lost. It is hard to believe now that anyone could get lost on this campus, although there have been several young ladies over the years who have felt that Your Man should make the effort to do so.

After wandering for almost an hour, Your Man remembered that he had a map of the campus. Unfortunately, whoever drew the map was apparently not a qualified cartographer.

This particular map of Northwest's campus looked well ordered, straight with the world and even had the buildings numbered with a convenient key at the bottom stating which buildings each number represented.

However, the mapmaker had overlooked a couple of important points. In the first place, there were no numbers on the actual buildings. To make matters worse, the map supplied only the shapes of each building's roof so no one but Batman could have recognized them.

Your Hero walked into one large building and asked for directions to the admissions office. When they said it was on the second floor Your Man remarked that it was odd to put such an office in the gymnasium. Once he met the bubbly, blonde student ambassador, Your Crusader felt a little more at ease. She took him around campus, showing him the dorm rooms in the Library, basketball courts in the Fine Arts building and the Biology department's radio station.

As the tour progressed it became evident to Your Man that this energetic tour guide genuinely enjoyed her job, even though she was not exactly sure what it was or how to go about accomplishing it.

She talked freely to Your Man, asking him questions such as, "What are Your interests?", "What do you plan to major in?" and "Don't you think it is a little warm to make Your Parents stay in the car all day?"

One thing that impressed Your Hero about Northwest was the friendly way in which people

greeted him on the sidewalk. They would all smile and say "hi" and then proceed to hit on the tour guide.

Your Man decided to try out his romantic diplomacy on the student ambassador but, alas, was just as unsuccessful as the others.

When the busy day was over Your Man decided that Northwest was the place for him. What exactly led to this demented decision is still unclear.

Maybe it was the friendly people or the scenic campus. Or it could have been the academic excellence that seemed to pervade from all aspects of the University.

But in the final analysis what probably convinced Your Hero to go to Northwest was the fact that it was cheaper than any other University in the four state region and besides, it was the only school that would take someone with a .05 grade point average.

So much for academic excellence.

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Students part of select cast

JENNIFER DUNLOP
Staff Writer

"Up With People" is a select group with only 600 of the over 9,000 students auditioning making the cast. Northwest, however, is lucky enough to have two of its students involved, senior Sarah Frerking and junior Jennifer Gallop, who will both join the group in July 1991.

"Up With People" is an international group which tours the United States and other countries and is "geared to promote cultural awareness and understanding," according to Frerking.

Cast members sing and dance at set performances, such as the Olympics or the Superbowl and are also involved in community projects like visiting schools, nursing homes and prisons.

Frerking, from Waverly, Mo., is a public relations major and is also involved with Sigma Society, the *Missourian*, the Tower yearbook and is the head resident assistant of Millikan Hall. She first became aware of the "Up With People" program through a friend who is currently touring with the group. Frerking also helped with the public relations for the group when they performed in Maryville last September.

Gallop, a personnel management major, from Kansas City, Mo., is a member of the Phi Mu Sorority, the Wesley Student Foundation and the KIDS big brother/sister organization. She also learned of Up With People from a friend, who was involved in the group in 1988.

Both Frerking and Gallop auditioned for "Up With People" af-

ter the group's performance here last fall. Auditions were not like they expected. "It's really kind of different," Frerking said. "You'd think that you'd have to sing and dance, but the application is geared towards past music experience. A lot of it is personality, how people-oriented you are."

Auditions consisted of two hour interviews, Gallop said. "They didn't want people who weren't aware of current issues."

Almost two months later, the women were informed they had made the cast.

"I remember I knew if I didn't get it, I'd have just a little white envelope saying, 'Thanks for trying,' but if I would get it, there would be a big packet with information," Frerking said. "One day I went to our mailbox and there was the big brown envelope."

Gallop was also surprised when she received the big envelope.

"I hadn't gotten my hopes up," Gallop said. "You know, there are 8,000 plus students trying out for this and you might be good but there are a lot of other qualified people, too, so I was just happy that I tried out and I was ecstatic when I got it."

Frerking and Gallop will both leave for Tucson, Ariz., in July, 1991, where they will practice with the entire crew for one month before actually going on tour.

While on tour, the women will be assuming a variety of responsibilities.

"It's kind of neat how they do this," Frerking said. "During the show, you sing or dance, usually everyone does that, but then



Photo by Brandon Russell
Dynamic Duo—Jennifer Gallop and Sarah Frerking will both join the international entertainment group "Up With People" in July 1991.

you rotate. You'll sell programs or beforehand you'll take tickets. You can tell they've got it all planned out so everybody shares in the duties."

"I guess you literally do live out of a suitcase for a whole year," Frerking said. The women have not received a set itinerary, but both are fairly sure they'll visit Russia.

"I hope we go to Australia or New Zealand because those are my two favorite places in the world to go. I doubt we'll be going into Africa or South America because I think right now it's just too hostile for this kind of group," Gallop said.

Although one might expect to be paid for this kind of project, just the opposite is true. Cast members pay the group \$10,000

to participate for one year. The money is used to pay for the meals and lodging.

Gallop says she will start raising the money by filling her piggy bank and then holding other fundraisers and, as a last resort, take out a student loan. Frerking, on the other hand, hopes to work on a cruise ship, to avoid rent, groceries and gas for her car.

An opportunity like touring with "Up With People" doubtlessly offers many advantages, but what Gallop is most looking forward to is the traveling.

"You think you've seen it all," Gallop said, "but the world is such a huge place and there's so much to see. I'm really looking forward to traveling and being exposed to different cultures."

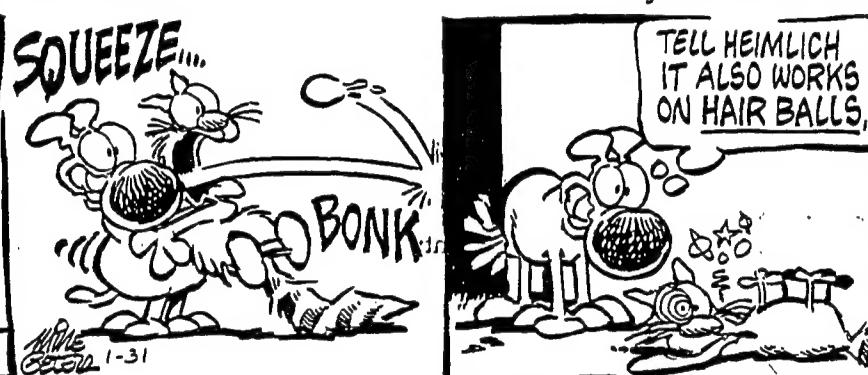
they couldn't imagine being lovers. But it just happens. This romantic comedy about being in love with your best friend is directed by Rob Reiner ("The Princess Bride" and "The Sure Thing"). Meg Ryan and Billy Crystal star.

Weekend at Bernie's—Andrew McCarthy ("Pretty in Pink") and Jonathan Silverman play two computer programmers who uncover embezzlement in the company books. As reward, their boss, Bernie (Terry Kiser), invites them up for a wild weekend at his beach home. But Bernie is behind the heist, and he is dead when they get there! The stage is set for this hilarious run from the bad guys. Scenes are filled with beach, bodies and parties with a twist. The two bring Bernie along for the fun. The stunt work is amazing and the jokes make you laugh out loud.

Who Framed Roger Rabbit—Famous "Toon" actor Roger Rabbit is being framed, he's having marital problems with wife Jessica and someone's trying to kill him. Eddie, the human detective, is on the case. Eddie's always hated "Toons," but who can resist the charm and wit of Roger Rabbit. Steven Spielberg and Robert Zemeckis bring this fantasy to life, while achieving a landmark in cinema history. "Roger Rabbit" won four Academy Awards, including the 1988 Special Achievement Award. To the audience, the story is just plain fun, with cute characters and a suspenseful story that makes you cheer at the end.

The following list, in no particular order, are some fun new releases worth staying home for. **When Harry Met Sally**—When Harry met Sally, they got on each other's nerves. Of course, they were two strangers driving cross country on break from college. Ten years later, when Harry met Sally, via bumping into her on the street, they became friends. They share everything together and become such good friends.

Mother Goose & Grimm



by Mike Peters

Shoe



by Jeff MacNelly

Faculty Forum

A weekly look at Northwest faculty and administrators

Name: Ben Birchfield, Assistant Dean of Students

Education: Bachelor of science in education and a master's degree in education at Northwest

Hobbies: "I enjoy physical training, bicycle riding, roller skating and horseback riding. I also enjoy doing educational administrative research, particularly in the area of minority affairs."

Advice to students: "The first advice I would give to students would be to choose a major that is of interest. Work hard in developing study habits. Get involved in activities that will help to develop leadership skills. Those skills can be applied toward real life experiences. Get involved in an internship related to your major."

What he likes most about his job: "The thing I like most about the job would be interacting with students, faculty and administrators."

Person he most admires: "Martin Luther King, Jr., because of his role as an activist in the civil rights movement of 1964. I also admire people like John F. Kennedy. I admire President Hubbard for what he has done for the University."



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Slow start sinks 'Kittens

SUSAN CAMPBELL
Copy Editor

The Washburn Lady Blues shot over 63 percent from the court to hand the Bearkittens an 82-73 loss in Lamkin Gym Wednesday night.

The loss drops the 'Kittens conference record to 5-3. The 'Kittens opened the contest with 10 unanswered points.

The 'Kittens pulled within one point by halftime, but trailed the Lady Blues during the remainder of the game.

The Bearkitten basketball team fell to the eighth-ranked Central Missouri State University Jennies 79-45 Saturday in Warrensburg.

The Jennies held the Bearkittens to 16 points in the second half and a season-low 45 points in the conference contest.

Saturday's loss dropped the Bearkittens one game out in the MIAA, leaving Northwest with a 13-5 overall record and a 5-2 conference record.

Despite suffering their second conference loss, women's coach Wayne Winstead remains op-

timistic about the Bearkittens' chances for doing well in post-season play.

"With the parity in our conference, anything can happen," he said. The percent leans in favor of Central (finishing in first), but anything can happen.

"We are playing well and should make the playoffs, but as far as first place in the conference, we'll just have to wait and see," he said.

The 'Kittens were ready for the first half of play taking a 10-4 lead during the first five minutes.

Northwest maintained an upper-hand over the Jennies throughout most of the half, with the lead ending shortly after Danae Wagner's charity shot with 4:04 left on the clock which brought the score to 27-24.

Northwest then suffered a seven-point run by the Jennies. After two more foul shots from Wagner, the score at the halftime break was 49-31.

The second half was a different story as the Jennies dominated

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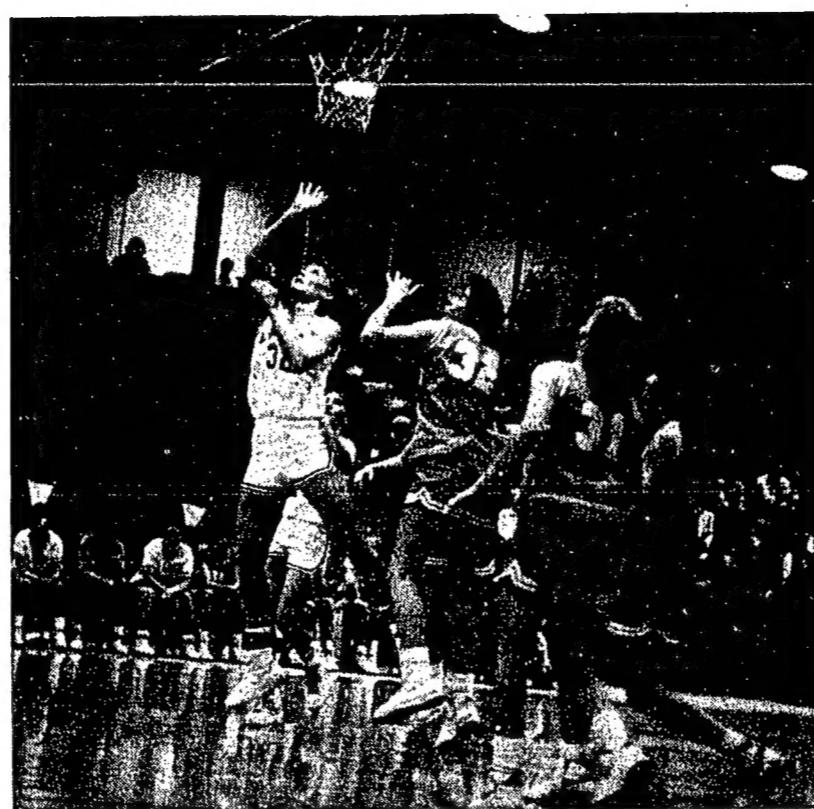


Photo by Scott Jenson
Lay It Up—The 'Kittens Colleen Yost drives to the basket for a layup against Washburn Wednesday night. The 'Kittens lost the contest 82-73.

'Cats lose fourth straight

GENE MORRIS
Sports Editor

The Bearcat basketball team lost its fourth conference game 59-54 at the hands of Washburn Wednesday night in Lamkin Gym.

Washburn's defense held the 'Cats shooting to 36 percent from the field and under 20 percent from the three-point range.

The 'Cats matched Washburn evenly during the first half for a 21-21 score. Washburn sank over 66 percent of their shots in the second half for the win.

The sixth-ranked Central Missouri State Mules handed the Bearcat basketball team its third straight conference loss with a

73-60 victory Saturday night.

The loss dropped the 'Cats overall record to 11-6 while its conference mark fell to 2-4. The Mules increased their overall mark to 17-0 while their conference mark improved to 6-0.

With 7:15 remaining in the first half of Saturday night's game, Kurtis Downing gave the 'Cats a 20-15 lead. During the final six minutes of the half, however, the Mules took center stage, bouncing back with 14 unanswered points to capture a 29-22 halftime lead.

The 'Cats pulled within six points during the second half, but were not able to capitalize on the Mules' 16 turnovers in the

contest.

The Mules led by as many as 15 points during the second half, coasting to a 13-point victory over the 'Cats.

Bearcat coach Steve Tappmeyer handled the final seven minutes of the first half the same way he has the entire season.

"You just keep preaching the same things you have all year," Tappmeyer said. "You don't like to lose all your time outs to square things away."

"We need to make some adjustments and get the ball inside more," he said. "We also need to get back into the groove defensively. We're not going to make any huge changes though."

The Mules held the 'Cats in check most of the contest. The 'Cats shot 35 percent from the field, which is almost 13 percent less than their season average. The 'Cats were also out-rebounded 41-32.

The Mules' offense was guided by Armando Becker who had 20 points and 12 rebounds in the contest. Guard Sonny Randle added 13 points.

Offensively the 'Cats were led by Bo Fitts, Chris Barker and Benji Burke who combined for 31 of the team's 50 points.

The Bearcats travel to Jefferson City for a conference contest with Lincoln University Saturday night.

Four 'Cats place first in meet

JEFF HEEREN
Contributing Writer

The Bearcat track and field team had four first place finishes while the Bearkittens had two second place and three third place finishes at Saturday's invitational track meet in South Dakota.

Bearcat distance runner Jason White ran a 15:06.53 in the 5,000 meter run, winning the event by more than 20 seconds over the second place finisher.

Along with White, other first place finishers included Renwick Bovell, 55 meter hurdles — (7.59); Ken Onuaguluchi, shot put — (49.9); and the Northwest 4x100

meter relay team — (43.78).

"Jason White ran away from the field and had a pretty good race," noted distance coach Micheal Robins. "His times could and will be better when he has someone to run with at his pace, and he (White) hasn't had that yet."

Although this meet was a non-scoring track meet, the team as a whole was competitive with nine finishes in the top four places.

"Jason Agee ran exceptionally well on our relay teams," said Tom Lester, the 'Cats sprint coach. "He ran the first leg in all four of our relays, had us in the

lead in three of them and an arms-length away in the fourth."

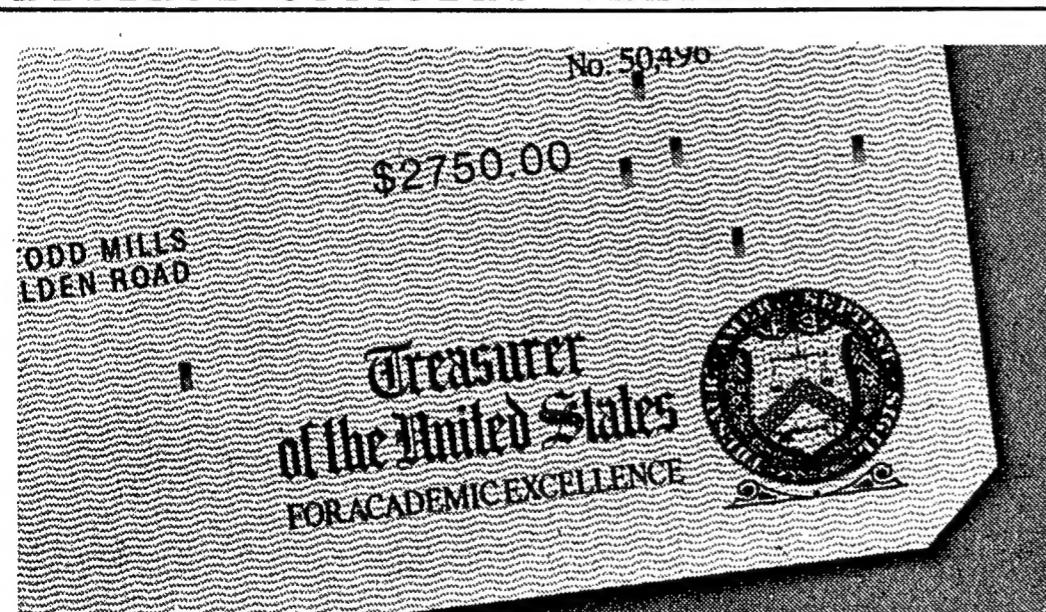
Jennifer Holdiman turned in a personal best for the Bearkittens, with a shot put mark of 41-4 3/4, giving her a second place finish.

Kim O'Riley anchored two Northwest relay teams, the distance medley (13:17.38) and 4x800 relay, and led them to second place finishes.

Other high finishers for the Bearkittens were: Angela Zaner, 400m — (69.38); O'Riley, 3,000m, (11:10.29); and the Northwest 4x100m relay — (54.2).

"I think the kids had a lot of fun," coach Richard Alsup said. "It gave them a chance to see

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'Steel Curtain' could tame San Francisco

Gene Morris
SPORTS EDITOR

The Steelers' offense complemented Bradshaw with the ground attack of Franco Harris and Rockey Blier in the backfield. The air attack of Lynn Swann and John Stallworth was also second to none.

The Steelers' defense was one of the best units ever assembled, if not the best. Names like L.C. Greenwood, Jack Lambert, Jack Ham and of course "Mean" Joe Greene put fear into the heart of every quarterback.

What would really happen if these two teams ever played each other? Each dominated their decade, but which would have what it takes to be the best in the ultimate challenge against each other?

XOR Corp. of Minneapolis, makers of the computerized NFL "Dream Season," matched the 1978 Steelers against the current 49ers in a copyrighted computer simulated game for the Associated Press.

The 49ers led the Steelers by a field goal at the half, but Bradshaw brought the Steelers back as they managed a 26-23 victory.

I know it was not much of a game. It was a computer playing percentages and probabilities that would add up to next to nothing in a game of such magnitude.

One thing is for sure though. The 49ers would not see a blowout unless they were the ones on the lower end of a lopsided score.

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Missouri Western.....	5-1
Missouri Southern.....	4-2
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Northwest Missouri State..	2-4
Washburn University.....	2-4
Pittsburg State	2-4
Missouri-St. Louis	2-4
Missouri-Rolla	2-4
Northeast Missouri	3-5
Missouri Southern.....	2-4
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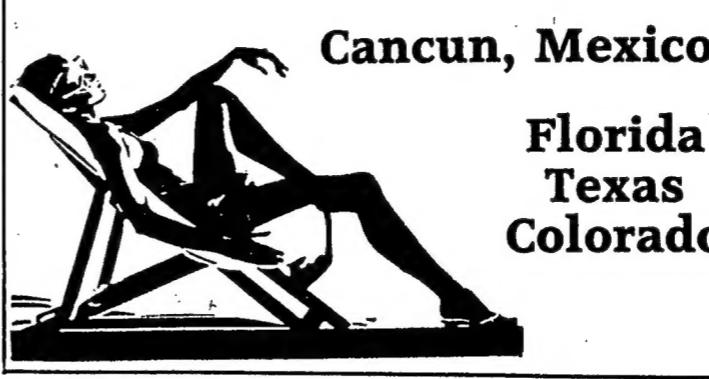
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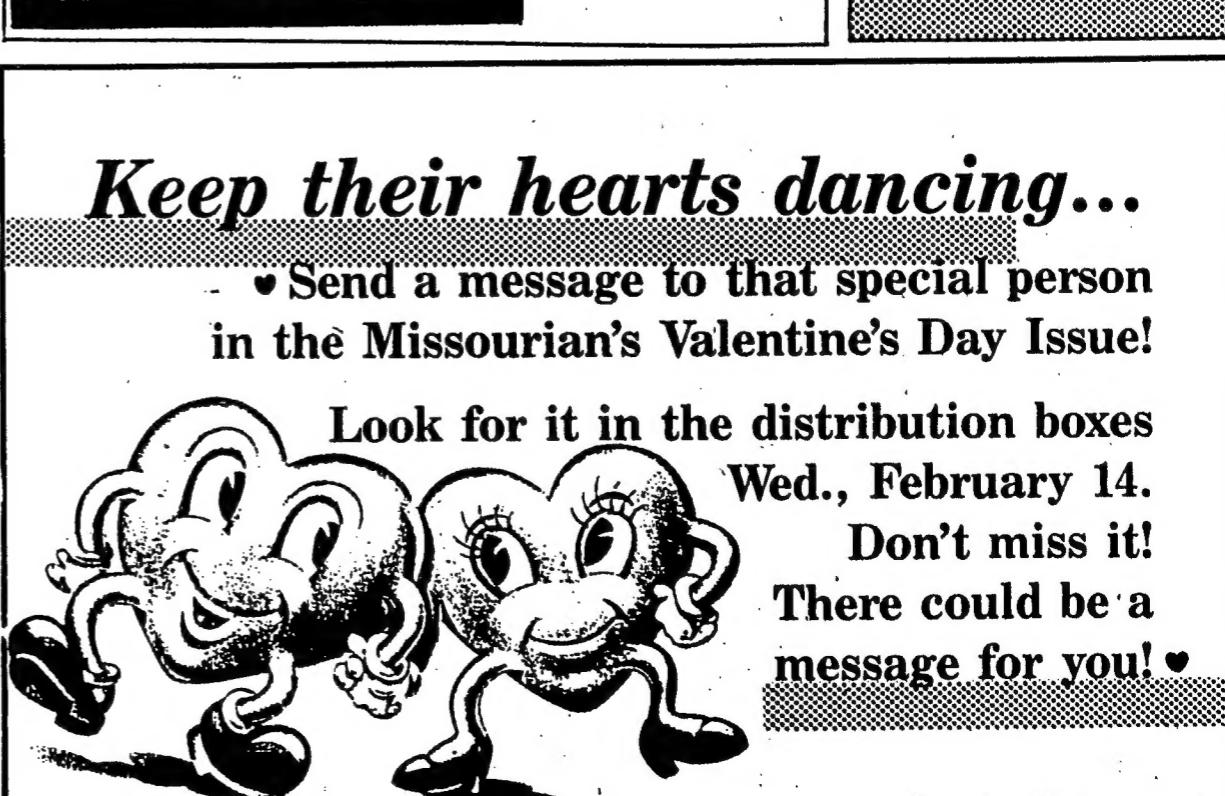
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Campus celebrates Black History Month

LISA LANDIS
News Editor

Today starts an event that is very important to many of the students on this campus—it begins Black History Month.

In support of the celebration of this month the Alliance of Black Collegians, Alpha Phi Alpha, the Theatre Department, the Art Department and Campus Activity Planners will be sponsoring a series of activities for the whole campus.

The Joseph Holmes Dance Troop will be at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Feb. 6 at 8 p.m. They are a multi-racial dance company that has incorporated modern, ballet and jazz dance into their own style of dance. The Chicago-based group

combines rock, gospel, soul and classical music for their dance program.

Tickets are \$3 for students; \$4 for Northwest faculty, staff and senior citizens and \$5 for general admission. Reservations may be made by calling 816/562-1320 between 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday. This event is sponsored by the Theatre Department.

On Feb. 14, Conrad Muhammad will deliver a lecture in the University Room located in the J.W. Jones Student Union at 7 p.m.

Muhammad is the president of the Black Student League at the University of Pennsylvania. He organized the first Black Student Unity Conference in 1986, which

is now held annually, leading to the founding of the National Black Students Unity Congress. This event is sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha.

He is also the national youth representative for the Nation of Islam.

On Feb. 16, Black History Month continues with a "Know Your History" game show. The game show will be held in the Spanish Den in the student union. This is sponsored by the Pearls of Essence, a group associated with ABC.

ABC and CAPS will be sponsoring guest speaker, Les Brown, on Feb. 19. Brown is a motivational speaker from Detroit who will speak at 8 p.m. in the MLPAC.

Board

physical education, recreation and dance.

Those resignations accepted were: Dr. Jo C. Agnew, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction; Lori Bartruff, admissions counselor; Charles Dike, steamfitter/plumber; Rheta Fannon, custodian; Rose Hagen, Horace Mann instructor; JayDe Leonard, coordinator of new student orientation; Vinnie P. Merenghi, construction/roofer; and Nancy Nelson, Department of Speech secretary.

The three retirements approved were: Dr. Desmin Dizney, director of student health services; W.C. (Bill) Dizney, director of student services; and Dr. Luis Macias, professor of history/humanities.

The Board discussed the summer session for Northwest and decided on a four-day week. The

Alpha Phi Alpha will sponsor a fashion show on Feb. 22. The show will be held at 7 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Melvin Edwards' sculpture exhibit opens on Feb. 26 in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building in the DeLuce Gallery. The exhibit, which runs through March 30, is open to the public from 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday. A special reception and lecture by Edwards is planned for opening night.

Edwards is a professor of art at Rutgers University. He is a sculptor and installation artist who also works with drawing and printmaking. He achieved recognition in the early years of the civil rights movement for his "Lynch Fragment Series" of

four-day week will be Monday through Thursday for administration, academic support offices and summer classes. Classes will begin on Thursday, June 7. The Board also approved the summer schedule for the school year 1990-91. Registration for the Summer 1990-91 school schedule will be Wednesday, June 5, with classes beginning the next day.

The Board approved four Maryville physicians and a nurse practitioner from Family Guidance Center, Maryville, for providing medical services for students at the Student Health Center. The four physicians are Drs. Jane and Pat Dawson, M.D.; Dr. Kanti Havalard, M.D.; and Dr. M.W. Runze, M.D. Each of the physicians will staff the health center during specified hours.

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welded steel wall pieces.

The last event for Black History Month will include a performance on Feb. 27 by Phillip Jennings. The magician/illusionist will perform at 7 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Bill Cowan, public relations officer for ABC, said he hopes to get the word out to everyone about Black History Month.

"I want to focus on this and go all out to everybody about Black History Month," Cowan said. "I want to resolve the problems people have had with ABC and work together. If we all can work together, the system will work for everyone."

Cowan has been working on making sure the campus is aware of Black History Month and that it is not just for black students.

"I want the campus to understand that ABC is here for whoever, not just black students. The only way we can get rid of prejudice which is a result of ignorance, is through education. One way I think we could accomplish this is for the University to offer a black history course. We also need black instructors on this campus," Cowan said.

Darleen Wright, ABC member, said "when there are people who have never lived in an environment where there are other races besides whites, there will always be some misunderstandings about what and who black people are."

Wright said she hopes enough people will come to the Black History Month events and start coming to ABC meetings.

Battalion receives satisfactory letter

LAURA PIERSON
Staff Writer

The Northwest Missouri State University ROTC battalion recently received a good report from their commanding officer at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Brigadier General Charles R. Hansell, commanding officer of the Army Reserve Officer's Training Corp's Region II Cadet Command, issued the report Dec. 15, 1989 following the battalion's inspection on Oct. 3, 1989.

The Northwest battalion is commanded by Lt. Col. Jerry Bortner, professor of military science.

In his letter to University President Dean L. Hubbard, Hansell wrote, "I am pleased to inform you that the inspection team found the battalion operating in an enthusiastic and efficient manner. The program is being effectively managed, and the spirit and commitment among the cadre are uniformly high."

According to Hansell, the inspection's three main objectives were to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the battalion in light of its mission, to evaluate the effect of the guidance and support being provided to the battalion by the Army ROTC Cadet Command at Fort Knox and to assess the Department of Military Science at Northwest as an integral, yet unique element of the university structure.

The inspection was commanded by Col. Bruce MacLachlan from Fort Knox. He was briefed by Lt. Col. David Teachout and Cadet Major Larry Wilson, both of whom Bortner said did an outstanding job.

Twenty-three areas are inspected and they receive either satisfactory or unsatisfactory marks. Bortner said each area was rated satisfactory. These areas include public affairs, cadet training, security and personnel.

Special recognition for outstanding work was given to Sgt. Augustus Cortazar in charge of supply and Capt. Jeffrey Knapp in charge of marketing and recruiting, Bortner said.

Hansell's letter stated that the team "was especially impressed with the enthusiasm, dedication, and quality of your cadets; they are obviously proud of their organization and their university."

Bortner said, "We tell the students they are special and this makes them want to do a little bit more."

He feels the hands-on leadership training the cadets get also adds to the enthusiasm and dedication of the battalion.

Bortner said it was the hard work of both the cadre and cadets that was responsible for the success of the inspection.

"It's the best report we have had in the four years since I have been here," Bortner said.

Parking

"There are escort hours," McAlpin added, "but if residents are unable to get to a phone before driving to school, or if they are coming from home, they are not able to utilize this service and sometimes have to walk alone, in the dark, from the west parking lot to their rooms."

Another concern McAlpin cited was the steep hill west of South Complex which becomes hazardous to climb when icy or muddy.

Other groups on campus protesting the parking restriction include the Intrafraternity Council and the Hall Council President's

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